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TAGS: PFOR, PINT, UR, US

SUBJ: RECREATIONAL BOATING

1. ON JULY 28 WE PUT THE CONSULATE GENERAL'S SAILBOAT IN THE WATER AT SESTRORETSK IN A SMALL LAGOON OFF THE DREDGED SHIP CHANNEL TO THE GULF OF FINLAND. THE MOORING IS SAFE ENOUGH BUT WAS, UNTIL OUR ARRIVAL, OTHERWISE UNDEVELOPED. THE SOVIETS HAVE NOW BUILT A SMALL WOODEN PIER AND HAVE PROVIDED A PERMANENT GUARD. THE LOCATION IS NOT IDEAL BUT IS BETTER THAN ZELENOGOSK, BOTH PHYSICALLY AND IN DISTANCE FROM LENINGRAD (ABOUT 35 KILOMETERS). THE ZONE IN WHICH WE ARE PERMITTED TO SAIL IS NOT YET CLEAR SINCE THE DREDGED CHANNEL TO DEEP WATER TAKES US WELL OUTSIDE THE PREVIOUSLY INDICATED ZONE. IN ANY CASE, WE ARE NOW USING THE BOAT FOR RECREATION TO THE SATISFACTION OF INCREASING NUMBERS OF THE STAFF.

2. DETAILS OF LEASING THE MOORING HAVE YET TO BE WORKED OUT-- BUT IT SEEMS LIKELY THE SOVIET WILL WANT US TO PAY A) RENT, B) COST OF BUILDING THE SMALL PIER, C) COST OF THE GUARD AND HIS TELEPHONE, AND D) COST OF REGISTERING THE BOAT. OF THESE, OUR ASSUMPTION IS THAT ONLY THE FIRST IS REASONABLE AND ACCEPTABLE. THE DECISION TO HAVE US PUT THE BOAT AT AN UNDEVELOPED SITE IN SESTRORETSK WAS TAKEN UNILATERALLY BY THE SOVIETS AGAINST OUR EXPRESSED PREFERENCE FOR MOORING AT ONE OF THE NUMEROUS EXISTING MARINAS IN LENINGRAD HARBOR. THUS IT SEEMS REASONABLE FOR THE SOVIET SIDE TO BEAR THE ADDITIONAL COSTS ARISING FROM THEIR DECISION AND WE WILL SO ARGUE. AS

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WE PURSUE THIS, IT WOULD BE HELPFUL TO BE ABLE TO STATE THAT

REGISTRATION OF SOVIET RECREATIONAL BOATS AT POINT COMFORT IS  
EITHER FREE OR NOT REQUIRED.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: PLEASE LET US KNOW WHAT THE SITUATION IS  
WITH RESPECT TO REGISTRATION OF SOVIET RECREATIONAL BOATS AT  
POINT COMFORT.  
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